

## 8.04 – ONLINE TICKET GAME RULES

### **SCOPE**

The On-Line Game Rules and Regulations contain specific rules, regulations, procedures, instructions and directives which apply to On-Line Games developed and offered for distribution and sale to the public by the North Carolina Education Lottery (NCEL), created pursuant to the North Carolina State Lottery Act. The NCEL will from time to time amend these Rules and Regulations and adopt new Rules and Regulations that pertain to all On-Line Games and that pertain to game specific items for each On-Line Game. The Multi-State Lottery Association (MUSL) Rules and Powerball (PB) group rules as applicable are incorporated herein by reference. In the event of a conflict among the Act, the On-Line Game Rules and Regulations, and the Retailer Contract, the Act will govern the On-Line Game Rules and Regulations, and the On-Line Game Rules and Regulations will govern the Retailer Contract.

### **DEFINITIONS** *(see appendix A)*

Capitalized terms used herein shall have the meanings set forth in Appendix A attached hereto, unless otherwise defined in context.

### **GENERAL RULES**

- A. If the NCEL, in its sole discretion, has authorized a Retailer to sell Tickets for On-Line Games at one or more of its Retailer Business Locations, in addition to all provisions, terms and conditions of the Act, other Rules and Regulations, and the Retailer Contract, the On-Line Game Rules and Regulations herein shall apply to all On-Line Games. To the extent of any inconsistency between the Retailer Contract and the Retailer Rules and Regulations found in Chapter 8.01 of the NCEL Policies and Procedures Manual, the On-Line Game Rules and Regulations shall govern the On-Line Games.
- B. Only Retailers who have entered into a Retailer Contract with the NCEL, and have been approved by the NCEL, in the NCEL's sole discretion, for the sale of On-Line Games, are authorized to sell On-Line Game Tickets. On-Line Game Tickets may only be sold at the Retailer Business Location(s) listed in the Retailer Contract for which the NCEL has authorized the sale of Tickets for On-Line Games. Each Retailer Business Location shall offer for sale Tickets for all On-Line Games that are authorized for sale by the NCEL at each such individual Retailer Business Location.
- C. NCEL will install an On-Line Game lottery terminal at each of the Retailer Business Locations listed in the Retailer Contract for which the NCEL has authorized the sale of Tickets for On-Line Games.
- D. Retailer shall pay a \$15.00 per week service fee for each installed On-Line Game lottery terminal, or as otherwise stated in the Retailer Rules at Section 8.01.
- E. By signing the Retailer Contract, Retailer acknowledges and agrees that it is responsible for making or having made, and bearing all costs associated therewith, any and all necessary or appropriate modifications to its telecommunications systems or facilities which are reasonably requested by NCEL to facilitate the installation, operation and maintenance of any lottery related equipment.
- F. Retailer shall provide approximately 2 feet by 4 feet of floor space at its business premises, which is acceptable to NCEL, for a free-standing play station. Retailer further

agrees to provide a space at least 20 inches wide, 30 inches deep, and 30 inches high, which is acceptable to NCEL, for its On-Line Game lottery terminal(s) to allow proper ventilation, maintenance and material loading and removing.

- G. Retailer agrees that it shall be responsible for all expenses including telecommunications charges associated with all Retailer requested terminal and/or monitor relocations.
- H. Retailer shall sell On-Line Game Tickets, for any and /or all On-Line Games as authorized and directed by the NCEL, at each of the Retailer Business Locations listed in the Retailer Contract for which the NCEL has authorized the sale of Tickets for the respective On-Line Games.
- I. Retailer must meet or exceed the NCEL's minimum weekly sales average as may be established by the NCEL, in accordance with the Rules and Regulations, as may be amended from time to time, in order to retain possession and use of the On-Line Games lottery terminal and/or monitor.
- J. Sale of On-Line Game Tickets
  - 1. Each On-Line Game Ticket shall sell for the retail sales price authorized by the Executive Director and stated in the individual Game Procedures. Subject to the laws and regulations governing the NCEL, Retailers may authorize the sale of On-Line Game Tickets at a discount for promotional purposes, provided that such discounted sales shall be reported to the NCEL at full gross sales value.
  - 2. Retailers shall sell lottery Tickets for any and all On-Line Games, as directed by the NCEL.

K. Game Procedures

The Game Procedures for each On-Line Game shall contain the following information:

- 1. game name;
- 2. Prize Structure;
- 3. Play Style;
- 4. retail sales price;
- 5. frequency of games and drawings and selection of winning tickets or shares;
- 6. means of conducting drawing.

L. Ticket Validation Requirements

- 1. Each On-Line Game Ticket shall be validated according to validation procedures prior to payment of a prize.
- 2. An On-Line Game ticket shall comply with all of the following:
  - a. The Ticket shall not be counterfeit or forged, in whole or in part.
  - b. The Ticket shall not be mutilated, altered, unreadable, reconstituted, or tampered with in any manner.

- c. The Ticket shall have been issued by the NCEL in an authorized manner.
  - d. The Ticket shall have been received or recorded by the NCEL by applicable deadlines.
  - e. In addition to the validation requirements, an On-Line Game Ticket shall not be valid unless all of the following conditions are met:
    - i. The Ticket data shall have been recorded on the central computer system on magnetic tape or disk prior to the drawing and the Ticket data shall match this computer record in every respect;
    - ii. The player's numbers, the Security Code data and the drawing data of the Ticket shall appear on the official file of winning Tickets, and a Ticket with that exact data shall not have been previously paid.
  - f. The game, Ticket, and Security Code(s) must be present in their entirety and be fully legible.
  - g. The play type, Security Code, Retailer code, number, and Ticket stock number must be correctly displayed on the Ticket.
  - h. The Ticket must not be blank or partially blank, mis-registered, defective, or printed or produced in error.
  - i. A lottery Ticket shall be the only valid proof of the Play and the only valid instrument for claiming a prize.
- 3. Any Ticket not passing all of the validation tests and requirements is void and ineligible for any prize and shall not be paid. The Executive Director may make an exclusive determination to reimburse the player for the purchase price of the void Ticket.
  - 4. If a defective Ticket is purchased, the NCEL's only liability shall be reimbursement for the purchase price of the void Ticket.
  - 5. The final determination on validation rests with the Executive Director.
  - 6. Any person who submits a lottery Ticket for validation or who claims a prize, in whatever capacity, agrees to be bound and shall be bound by the provisions of the NCEL's On-Line Game Rules and Regulations.

#### M. Ticket Responsibility

- 1. The purchaser of an On-Line Game Ticket shall be solely responsible for verifying, at the time of purchase, the accuracy, legibility and condition of the data printed on the Ticket, and for determining that the Ticket accurately reflects the Play.
- 2. A Ticket is a bearer instrument until signed on the back by the Ticket holder.
- 3. The NCEL shall not be responsible for lost, stolen, or destroyed Tickets.

4. The NCEL shall not be responsible for erroneous or mutilated Tickets.
5. The NCEL shall not be responsible for Tickets claimed by a player in error for a lower prize at a Retailer.
6. The NCEL may not pay prizes to any Claimant who purchases a Ticket from an unauthorized retailer.
7. Exchange Tickets issued pursuant to a cashed multi-draw Play shall not be canceled.
8. The Executive Director shall not pay a prize on any canceled or voided On-Line Game Ticket.

N. Disputed Ticket

If a dispute arises between the NCEL and a Ticket Claimant concerning whether the Ticket is a winning Ticket and if the Ticket prize has not been paid, the Executive Director may exclusively make a determination to reimburse the Claimant for the purchase price of the disputed Ticket. This shall be the Claimant's exclusive remedy.

O. Game Termination and Prize Claim Period

1. The NCEL, at any time, may announce the termination date for an individual On-Line Game. If this occurs, no Tickets shall be sold past the termination date.
2. On-Line Game Prizes shall be claimed no later than 180 days after the drawing date of the individual On-Line Game.
3. The NCEL reserves the right to decline to accept a Play.

P. Governing Law

1. In purchasing a Ticket, the customer or player agrees to comply with, and abide by, the        Act, other applicable North Carolina laws, all Rules and Regulations and all final decisions of the NCEL, and all procedures and instructions established by the NCEL or the Executive Director for the conduct of the respective game.

Q. Annuitized Prizes

Subject to any contrary provisions of these Rules and Regulations that only concern Grand Prize Payments for Powerball, the following rules also shall apply to Annuitized prizes:

1. If the annuitized value of the payment to each winner is less than one million dollars (\$1,000,000.00), at the discretion of the Executive Director each winner may receive his/her share of money allocated to the Jackpot prize pool in a lump sum payment.
2. The NCEL may elect to fund annuitized prize payments directly, through purchase of annuities or by other means.
3. The initial payment of an annuitized prize may be delayed for up to thirty (30) calendar days following the final determination by the Executive Director that the claim is valid.

R. Acceleration of Prize Payments

Unless otherwise provided in the Rules and Regulations, with the exception of Powerball, no payment of an Annuitized prize shall be accelerated beyond the normal dates of payment.

S. Dissemination of Winning Numbers Information

The dissemination and publication of winning numbers by telephone or in the media is for informational purposes only, and the NCEL shall not pay a prize based upon information obtained from winning number information lines or any source other than the official draw results electronically recorded in the central computer system.

T. Drawings

1. The Executive Director shall determine the time, frequency, date and method of the drawing(s) for each On-Line Game and shall include such information in the Game Procedures.
2. The purpose of On-Line Game drawings shall be to select winning numbers at random with the aid of mechanical drawing equipment or with the aid of computer drawing equipment and programs.
3. All On-Line Game drawings shall be witnessed by an independent certified public accountant.
4. Any equipment used in the drawings shall be inspected by the independent certified public accountant and an employee of the Commission both before and after the drawings.
5. On-Line Game drawings shall be recorded on a video and audio tape, but failure to record the draw totally or in part due to electronic or mechanical malfunctions shall not invalidate the draw or change the outcome of a game once it has been announced by the Executive Director.

U. Method of Playing an On-Line Game

1. The Executive Director shall determine the method of play for each game, including but not limited to:
  - a. indicating the requisite digits or numbers which shall be entered manually into the lottery terminal by the On-Line Game Retailer; or
  - b. presenting a completed Play Slip to an On-Line Game Retailer; or
  - c. requesting a Quick Pick .
2. Game instructions issued to Retailers and made available to the public shall include the method of play.

V. Play Slip

1. The NCEL, or its authorized distributors, may provide Play Slips at no cost to the players.

2. Play Slips are provided solely for the convenience of players and shall have no monetary or prize value or constitute evidence of a Play.
3. If a Play Slip is used, the player shall select the requisite numbers for each single lettered Panel for that game.
4. The requisite numbers and the associated letter constitute a single game Panel on a Play Slip.
5. Play Slips shall be processed through the lottery terminal by the Retailer, and Tickets shall be issued only through the lottery terminal.
6. If the Play Slip is rejected by the lottery terminal, the Play is not valid and the player may submit another Play Slip.
7. All Play Slips must be filled out by hand. Play Slips filled out by any mechanical and computerized means will not be accepted nor will any prizes be paid as a result of Play Slips filled out in this manner.

## **POWERBALL PROCEDURE**

- A. The purpose of Powerball is the generation of revenue for Party Lotteries through the operation of a specially-designed multi-state lottery game that will award prizes to ticket holders matching specified combinations of numbers randomly selected in regularly scheduled drawings.
- B. During each Powerball drawing, six (6) Powerball Winning Numbers will be selected from two (2) fields of numbers in the following manner: five (5) winning numbers from a field of one (1) through fifty-five (55) numbers, and one (1) winning number from a field of one (1) through forty-two (42) numbers.

- C. Definitions (for Powerball only)

Capitalized words and terms set forth below, when used within this document known as Powerball Official Game Rules (hereinafter "Powerball Rules") shall have the following meaning unless otherwise indicated:

**Authorized Claim Center** - Any Powerball Retailer, or Party Lottery office, in the state where the winning Official Powerball Ticket was purchased.

**Cash Option** – The manner in which the Powerball Grand/Jackpot Prize may be paid in a single payment.

**Claimant** - Any person or (where permitted) entity submitting a claim form within the required time period to collect a prize for an Official Powerball Ticket. A Claimant may be the Purchaser, the person or (where permitted) entity named on a signed Official Powerball Ticket, the bearer of an unsigned Official Powerball Ticket, or any other person or (where permitted) entity who may seek entitlement to a Powerball prize payment in accordance with the Powerball Rules and Party Lottery governing laws, policies and rules. No Claimant may assert rights different from the rights acquired by the original Purchaser at the time of purchase.

**Director(s)** - The chief officers of the Party Lotteries or any other persons to whom the Directors' authority is lawfully delegated.

**Official Powerball Ticket** - A game ticket, produced on official paper stock by a Powerball Retailer in an authorized manner, bearing player or computer selected numbers, game name, drawing date, amount of wager, and validation data.

**Party Lottery or Lotteries** - One or more of the states who are members of the Multi-State Lottery Association and authorized to sell official Powerball Tickets. .

**Prize Fund** - That portion of Powerball gross sales set aside for the payment of prizes. The Prize Fund for any drawing is expected to be 50% of sales, but may be higher or lower based upon the number of winners at each fixed prize level, as well as the funding required to meet the advertised jackpot.

**Purchaser(s)** - Player(s) of Powerball who purchase tickets in accordance with Powerball Rules and Party Lottery governing laws, policies and rules.

**Quick Pick, Auto Pick or Easy Pick** - A player option in which Powerball number selections are determined at random by computer software.

**Powerball Retailer** - A retail location licensed or contracted and equipped by its respective state lottery to sell Official Powerball Tickets.

**Powerball Panel or Play Area** - That area of an Official Powerball Ticket identified by an alpha character, A through E, containing one field of five (5) one or two-digit player or computer selected numbers, and a second field of one (1) one or two-digit player or computer selected number.

**Powerball Play/Bet Slip** - A computer-readable form, printed and issued by each Party Lottery, used in purchasing an Official Powerball Ticket, having up to five (5) separate play areas, with each play area consisting of two (2) fields. The first field contains fifty-five (55) areas/spaces numbered one (1) through fifty-five (55); the second field contains forty-two (42) areas/spaces numbered one (1) through forty-two (42). The Play/Bet Slip may additionally include boxes for selection of Cash Option or Annuity Option, at the discretion of each Party Lottery.

**Powerball Winning Numbers** - Five (5) one or two digit numbers, from one (1) through fifty-five (55) and one (1) one or two-digit numbers from one (1) through forty-two (42), randomly selected at each Powerball drawing, which shall be used to determine winning Powerball plays contained on Official Powerball Tickets.

**PowerPlay** - a feature that gives players the opportunity to multiply their potential winnings by 2, 3, 4, or even 5 times the original amount (excluding the jackpot and Match 5 Bonus prizes).

D. Ticket Sales

The sale of Official Powerball Tickets may be conducted only by such locations as the Directors shall contract with and/or license pursuant to the governing laws, policies and rules of the Party Lotteries and the Powerball Rules.

Where permitted by the governing laws, policies or rules of a Party Lottery, the Director of the Party Lottery may authorize Purchasers to make Advance Purchases of Official Powerball Tickets. Advance Purchases will be subject to the policies, procedures and rules established by the Party Lottery selling the Advance Purchase, subject to the following parameters and restrictions:

1. The maximum number of consecutive drawings encompassed by Multidraw Purchase is fifty-two (52).
2. In the event the Directors authorize a matrix change for Powerball, Advance Purchasers will be granted the option, by the Party Lottery which issued the Advance Purchase, to retain or change the Purchaser's previously selected numbers on the balance of their Advance Purchase, effective as of the date of the matrix change. The Purchasers, however, will not be granted a refund for the balance of plays on their Advance Purchase.
3. Game play information for an Advance Purchase may be edited by a Party Lottery only when an error in the numbers entered has been identified, a change in the frequency of drawings occurs, or a change in the game matrix occurs. An Advance Purchase may be edited to correct an error in the numbers entered before the time of the first drawing for which the Advance Purchase is effective. (Liability for any number entered in error is limited to the state lottery that entered the number in error.) For a change in the game matrix, or for errors in the numbers entered which are identified AFTER the first drawing under the Advance Purchase, the Party Lottery may correct the Advance Purchase game play



prospectively for the remaining number of draws on the Advance Purchase. The only other condition under which an Advance Purchase game play may be edited is to correct the Advance Purchase end date if the Directors authorize a change in the frequency of Powerball drawings.

E. Ticket Price

1. Official Powerball Tickets may be purchased for \$1.00, per play, or multiples thereof in the case of a multi-draw wager, in accordance with the rules of the state in which the wager is placed, at the discretion of the Purchaser. The Purchaser receives one play for each \$1.00 wagered in Powerball.
2. The PowerPlay option may be purchased for an additional \$1.00, per play, or multiples thereof in the case of a multi-draw wager, in accordance with the rules of the state in which the wager is placed, at the discretion of the Purchaser.
3. Subject to the laws and regulations governing each Party Lottery, the Directors may collectively authorize the sale of Official Powerball Tickets at a discount for promotional purposes. Individual Directors may authorize sale of Official Powerball Tickets at a discount for promotional purposes within their respective jurisdictions, provided that such discounted sales shall be reported to the Party Lotteries at full gross sales value.

F. Play Characteristics and Restrictions

1. Official Powerball Tickets may not be purchased in any other Party Lottery state by any Party Lottery board member or commissioner. Official Powerball Tickets may not be purchased in North Carolina by any NCEL employee, or any spouse, child, or parent residing in the same household of any such employee.
2. Under no circumstances will a claim be paid for either the Grand/Jackpot Prize, the Second Level Prize, or the Third Level Prize without an Official Powerball Ticket matching all game play, serial number and other validation data residing in the selling Party Lottery's on-line gaming system computer and such ticket shall be the only valid proof of the wager placed and the only valid receipt for claiming or redeeming any prize.
3. Official Powerball Tickets may not be canceled.
4. Purchasers may submit a manually completed Powerball Play Slip to a Powerball Retailer to have issued an Official Powerball Ticket. Powerball Play Slips shall be available at no cost to the Purchaser and shall have no pecuniary or prize value, or constitute evidence of purchase or number selections. The use of mechanical, electronic, computer generated or any other non-manual method of marking Play Slips is prohibited.
5. Purchasers may orally convey their selections to a Powerball Retailer to have issued an Official Powerball Ticket. Such selections shall be manually entered into the computer terminal by the Powerball Retailer.
6. It shall be the sole responsibility of the Purchaser to verify the accuracy and condition of the data printed on the Official Powerball Ticket at the time of purchase.
7. Where permitted by the governing laws, policies and rules of a Party Lottery, Official Powerball Tickets may, at the Purchaser's discretion, be purchased for

one (1) through fifty-two (52) consecutive drawings commencing with the next scheduled drawing.

G. Time of Drawing

Powerball drawings shall be conducted at 10:59 p.m. Eastern Time (9:59 p.m. Central Time, 7:59 p.m. Pacific Time). Powerball drawings shall be conducted on both Wednesday and Saturday at the designated time.

H. Powerball Prize Structure

1. Matrix of 5/55 and 1/42 with 50% Anticipated Prize Fund Match

Match Field 1	Match Field 2	Odds	Prize Category
5	1	1:146,107,962	Grand
5	0	1:3,563,608.83	Second
4	1	1:584,431.85	Third
4	0	1:14,254.44	Fourth
3	1	1:11,927.18	Fifth
3	0	1:290.91	Sixth
2	1	1:745.45	Seventh
1	1	1:126.88	Eighth
0	1	1:68.96	Ninth
Reserve			
Totals		1:36.6	

2. Grand/Jackpot Prize Payments

- a. Prior to each drawing, the Directors shall determine the Grand/Jackpot Prize amount to be advertised. The advertised Grand/Jackpot Prize amount shall be the basis for determining the amount to be awarded to each winner(s), equally divided by the number of tickets with Powerball Panels matching all five (5) of the Powerball Winning Numbers drawn for Field 1 and the one (1) Powerball Winning Number drawn for Field 2. No Annuitized Grand/Jackpot Prize, as payable to the single winner of a drawing, shall be less than \$15 million.
- b. Grand prizes shall be paid, at the election of the player made no later than 60 days after the player becomes entitled to the prize, with either a per winner annuity or cash payment. An election made after the winner becomes entitled to the prize is final and cannot be revoked, withdrawn or otherwise changed.
- c. If, in any Powerball drawing there are no Powerball Panels which qualify for the Grand/Jackpot Prize category, the portion of the Prize Fund allocated to such Grand/Jackpot Prize category shall remain in the Grand/Jackpot Prize category and be added to the amount allocated for the Grand/Jackpot Prize category in the next consecutive Powerball drawing.
- d. If the Annuitized Grand/Jackpot Prize divided by the number of Powerball Panels matching all five (5) of the five (5) Powerball Winning Numbers for Field 1 and the one (1) Powerball Winning Number for Field 2 is equal to or greater than \$1,000,000, the Grand/Jackpot Prize(s) will

be paid under the Annuity Option, unless a Cash Option was offered to and accepted by the Grand/Jackpot Prize Claimant as prescribed in the statutes, administrative rules and regulations, or procedures of the Party Lottery selling the winning Official Powerball Ticket. If no declaration is made by close of business on the 60<sup>th</sup> day after the prize has been claimed, the prize MUST be paid under the Annuity Option. If a Cash Option is offered by the Party Lottery selling a Grand/Jackpot Prize winning ticket, no Grand/Jackpot Prize payment will be processed until the Claimant submits a form irrevocably selecting a payment option, or the 60-day selection period lapses, whichever shall first occur.

- e. Annuity Option Grand/Jackpot Prizes shall be paid in thirty (30) installments by the Party Lottery, which sold the winning Official Powerball Ticket. The initial payment shall be paid upon completion of internal validation procedures. The subsequent twenty-nine (29) payments shall be paid annually to coincide with the month of the federal auction date at which the bonds were purchased. All such payments shall be made within seven (7) days of the anniversary of the actual auction date.
- f. Cash Option Grand/Jackpot Prizes, if offered, shall be paid in a single payment upon completion of internal validation procedures. The Cash Option amount offered may be either the amount determined by multiplying the annuitized prize amount by a discount value set by Powerball Finance Committee prior to each drawing (the "Cash Equivalent Grand/Jackpot Prize"), divided by the number of Grand/Jackpot Prize winners, or the proceeds of the sale of bonds purchased to fund the particular winner's share of the Annuitized Grand/Jackpot Prize amount, at the discretion of the Party Lottery which sold the winning Official Powerball Ticket. Unless otherwise prohibited by the rules of the Party Lottery of the state in which the Official Powerball Ticket was purchased, the Claimant has until the close of business on the 60<sup>th</sup> day after the date the Claimant becomes entitled to the prize (as defined by the Party Lottery which sold the Official Powerball Ticket) to select the Cash Option Grand/Jackpot Prize method of payment. No payment will be processed under the Cash Option Grand/Jackpot Prize provision until the Claimant submits a form irrevocably selecting said payment option.
- g. In the event multiple Powerball Panels match all five (5) of the five (5) Powerball Winning Numbers for Field 1 and the one (1) Powerball Winning Number for Field 2, and the Annuitized Powerball Grand/Jackpot Prize divided by the number of winning game panels is less than \$1,000,000, each Powerball Grand/Jackpot Prize winner shall be paid an amount equal to the Cash Equivalent Grand/Jackpot Prize divided equally by the number of Grand/Jackpot Prize winners. Each such Grand/Jackpot Prize winner will be paid in a single cash payment.

3. Second through Ninth Level Prizes

- a. Powerball Panels matching five (5) of the five (5) Powerball Winning Numbers drawn for Field 1, but not matching the Powerball Winning Number drawn for Field 2 shall be entitled to receive a Second Prize of \$200,000\*.

- b. Powerball Panels matching four (4) of the five (5) Powerball Winning Numbers drawn for Field 1 and the Powerball Winning Number drawn for Field 2 shall be entitled to receive a Third Prize of \$10,000\*.
- c. Powerball Panels matching four (4) of the five (5) Powerball Winning Numbers drawn for Field 1 but not matching the Powerball Winning Number drawn for Field 2 shall be entitled to receive a Fourth Prize of \$100\*.
- d. Powerball Panels matching three (3) of the five (5) Powerball Winning Numbers drawn for Field 1 and the Powerball Winning Number drawn for Field 2 shall be entitled to receive a Fifth Prize of \$100\*.
- e. Powerball Panels matching three (3) of the five (5) Powerball Winning Numbers drawn for Field 1 but not matching the Powerball Winning Number drawn for Field 2 shall be entitled to receive a Seventh Prize of \$7.
- f. Powerball Panels matching two (2) of the five (5) Powerball Winning Numbers drawn for Field 1 and the Powerball Winning Number drawn for Field 2 shall be entitled to receive a Sixth Prize of \$7.
- g. Powerball Panels matching one (1) of the five (5) Powerball Winning Numbers drawn for Field 1 and the Powerball Winning Number drawn for Field 2 shall be entitled to receive an Eighth Prize of \$4.
- h. Powerball Panels matching no numbers (0) of the five (5) Powerball Winning Numbers drawn for Field 1 but matching the Powerball Winning Number drawn for Field 2 shall be entitled to receive a Ninth Prize of \$3.
- i. Each Powerball Second through Ninth prize shall be paid in one payment.

\*Should total prize liability exceed 300% of draw sales or 50% of draw sales plus \$50,000,000, whichever is less (both hereinafter referred to as the "Liability Cap"), the Second through Fifth prizes shall be paid on a Pari-Mutuel rather than fixed prize basis, provided, however, that in no event shall the Pari-Mutuel prize be greater than the fixed prize. The amount to be used for the allocation of such Pari-Mutuel prizes shall be the liability cap less the amount paid for the Grand/Jackpot Prize and prize levels Six through Nine.

- 4. In a single drawing, a Claimant may win in only one prize category per single Powerball Panel in connection with Powerball Winning Numbers, and shall be entitled only to the highest prize.
- 5. All prizes, except for the Grand/Jackpot Prize, are multiplied by the PowerPlay number. The bonus pool amount is not multiplied by the PowerPlay number.
- 6. For purpose of prize calculation with respect to any Powerball Pari-Mutuel prize, the calculation shall be rounded down so that prizes shall be paid in multiples of one dollar (\$1.00).

With respect to any Powerball Annuitized Grand Prize, the prize amount shall be rounded to the next highest affordable multiple of one million dollars, based upon market rates at the time of the purchase.

7. Subject to the laws and regulations governing each Party Lottery, the number of prize categories and the allocation of the Prize Fund among the prize categories may be changed at the discretion of the Directors, for promotional purposes. Such change shall be announced by public notice.

I. Ticket Validation Requirements

1. In order to be deemed a valid, winning, Official Powerball Ticket, all of the following conditions must be met:
  - a. The ticket data must have been recorded on the central computer system prior to the drawing and the ticket data must match this computer record in every respect. In the event of a contradiction between information as printed on the ticket and as accepted by the Party Lottery computer, the wager accepted by the Party Lottery computer shall be the valid wager;
  - b. The player or computer number selections, Security Code and the drawing date(s) of an apparent winning ticket must appear on the official file of winning tickets, and a ticket with that exact data must not have been previously paid;
  - c. The ticket must not be mis-registered, deceptively printed or printed or produced in error to an extent that it cannot be processed by the Party Lottery that issued the ticket;
  - d. The ticket must pass validation tests using a minimum of three (3) of the five (5) validation methods as defined in the Powerball Finance and Operations Procedures, Section 15. In addition the ticket must pass all other confidential security checks of the Party Lottery that issued the ticket;
  - e. In submitting an Official Powerball Ticket for validation, the Claimant agrees to abide by applicable laws, all rules and regulations, instructions, conditions and final decisions of the Director of the Party Lottery that issued the ticket;
  - f. There must not be any other breach of these Powerball Rules in relation to the ticket which, in the opinion of the Director of the Party Lottery that issued the ticket, justifies invalidation.
  - g. The ticket must be submitted to the Party Lottery that issued it.
2. An Official Powerball Ticket submitted for validation which fails any of the preceding validation conditions shall be considered void, subject to the following determinations:
  - a. In all cases of doubt, the determination of the Director of the Party Lottery, which sold the Official Powerball Ticket, shall be final and binding; however, the Director may, at his/her option, replace an invalid ticket with an Official Powerball Ticket of equivalent sales price;
  - b. In the event a defective ticket is purchased or in the event the Director determines to adjust an error, the sole and exclusive remedy shall be the

replacement of such defective or erroneous ticket(s) with an Official Powerball Ticket of equivalent sales price;

- c. In the event an Official Powerball Ticket is not paid by a Party Lottery and a dispute occurs as to whether the ticket is a winning ticket, the Party Lottery may, at its option, replace the ticket as provided in paragraph (a) of this subsection. This shall be the sole and exclusive remedy of the Claimant unless the laws or regulations governing the Party Lottery provide for further administrative review.

J. Procedure for Claiming and Payment of Prizes

1. Prizes shall be redeemed or claimed only in the jurisdiction where the Official Powerball Ticket was purchased and only through Powerball Retailers or other Authorized Claim Centers, effective upon determination of prize payouts, for a period of 180 days from the drawing date.
2. Claimants of a winning Official Powerball Ticket must comply with the prize claim requirements of the Party Lottery that issued the winning ticket.
3. In the event that a single Official Powerball Ticket contains two (2) or more winning game panels, the cumulative prize amount shall be claimed or redeemed in accordance with the specified prize payment limits for the Party Lottery that issued the winning ticket.
4. State, local and federal withholding taxes, where applicable, shall be withheld from Powerball prizes by the Party Lottery issuing a winning ticket in such amounts as may be required by law.
5. Powerball prizes shall not be paid to any person prohibited from playing Powerball in a particular Party Lottery state by Powerball Rules or by the governing law or rules of that Party Lottery or any contract executed by that Party Lottery.
6. There shall be no assignment of Powerball prizes except as set forth in the statutes or regulations of the Party Lottery which sold the winning Official Powerball Ticket.
7. Subject to the laws and regulations of the state of each Party Lottery relating to the disclosure of Powerball winners, and at the discretion of each Party Lottery where disclosure is permitted, the name and community of a winner may be disclosed in a press conference or in a press release and the winner may be required to participate in a press conference.

K. Unclaimed Prize Money

For winning Official Powerball Tickets for which no claim or redemption is made within the specified claim period for each respective Party Lottery, the corresponding prize monies shall be returned to the other Party Lotteries in accordance with procedures for the reconciliation of prize liability as, stated in the Finance and Operations Procedures for Powerball as agreed to by the Directors of the Party Lotteries.

L. Governing Law

1. In purchasing a ticket issued for Powerball, the Purchaser agrees to comply with and be bound by all applicable statutes, administrative rules and regulations, and

procedures of the individual state in which the ticket is issued, and by directives and determinations of the Director of that state's lottery. The Purchaser agrees that, as its sole and exclusive remedy, claims arising out of this ticket can be pursued only against the state of ticket purchase. Litigation, if any, shall only be maintained against the Party Lottery of the state of ticket purchase and within the state of ticket purchase.

2. In the event of conflict between these Powerball Rules and the statutes, rules or regulations of any Party Lottery, the Party Lottery's statutes, rules and regulations shall control.
3. All decisions made by the Directors of the Party Lotteries, including the declaration of prizes and the payment thereof and the interpretation of Powerball Rules, shall be final and binding on all Purchasers and on every person making a claim in respect thereof.

## **CAROLINA PICK 3 PROCEDURE**

- A. The purpose of Carolina Pick 3 is to generate revenue for the NCEL and ultimately, education programs in North Carolina through the operation of a specially-designed lottery game that will award prizes to ticket holders matching specified combinations of numbers randomly selected in daily drawings.
- B. During each Carolina Pick 3 drawing, a three-digit number between 000 and 999 will be selected.
- C. The sale and/or purchase of Carolina Pick 3 Tickets may be conducted only at such locations as the Director shall contract with and/or license and must comply with all governing laws, policies and rules of the NCEL.
- D. Play Characteristics and Restrictions
  - 1. A Play is defined as one three-digit number selection for a specific draw, for a specific amount, and a specific play type.
  - 2. Play types are as follows:
    - a. Exact- the player's three-digit number must match the winning three-digit number in the exact order drawn, that is the final resting position of the balls as they appear from the front of the drawing machine from left to right
    - b. Any- the player's three-digit number must match the winning three-digit number in any order drawn
    - c. 50/50- combines an Exact and Any play type on a single play
  - 3. Purchasers may submit a manually completed Carolina Pick 3 Play Slip to a Retailer to produce by the computer terminal an Official Carolina Pick 3 Ticket. Carolina Pick 3 Play Slips shall be available at no cost to the Purchaser and shall have no pecuniary or prize value, nor constitute evidence of purchase or number selections. The use of mechanical, electronic, computer generated or any other non-manual method of marking Play Slips is prohibited.
  - 4. Purchasers may orally convey their selections to a Retailer to have an Official Carolina Pick 3 Ticket produced, and such selections shall be manually entered into the computer terminal by the Retailer.
  - 5. It shall be the sole responsibility of the Purchaser to verify the accuracy and condition of the data printed on the Official Carolina Pick 3 Ticket at the time of purchase.
  - 6. Official Carolina Pick 3 Tickets may be canceled on the terminal at the Retailer that issued the Ticket within fifteen (15) minutes of its purchase or prior to the draw break, whichever occurs first.
  - 7. Each Play selected will be for the next scheduled drawing only, unless the Advance Play or Multi-Draw options are selected.



E. Ticket Price

Official Carolina Pick 3 Tickets may be purchased for 50¢ or \$1.00, per Play, depending on the play type, or multiples thereof in the case of an Advance or Multi-draw wager.

F. Multi-Draw

Players may enter multiple drawings of Carolina Pick 3. Multi-Draw will be subject to the policies, procedures and rules established by the NCEL, subject to the following parameters and restrictions:

1. The maximum number of consecutive drawings a player may enter using the Multi-Draw feature is seven (7), including the current draw.
2. In the event the Director authorizes a matrix change for Carolina Pick 3, Multi-Draw tickets will be honored. Prior to introducing a new matrix, the NCEL will incorporate a Multi-Draw step down feature that will reduce the Multi-Draw option from seven (7) to zero (0). The Purchasers, however, will not be granted a refund for the balance of plays on their Multi-Draw Purchase.
3. Game play information for a Multi-Draw Purchase may be edited when an error in the numbers entered has been identified, a change in the frequency of drawings occurs, or a change in the game matrix occurs. A Multi-Draw Purchase may be edited to correct an error in the numbers entered before the time of the first drawing for which the Multi-Draw Purchase is effective. For a change in the game matrix, or for errors in the numbers entered which are identified AFTER the first drawing under the Multi-Draw Purchase, the NCEL may correct the Multi-Draw Purchase game play prospectively for the remaining number of draws on the Multi-Draw Purchase. The only other condition under which a Multi-Draw Purchase game play may be edited is to correct the Multi-Draw Purchase end date if the Director authorizes a change in the frequency of Carolina Pick 3 drawings.
4. The Multi-draw option may be purchased for an additional 50¢ or \$1.00, per play per draw, or multiples thereof, at the discretion of the Purchaser.

G. Advance Play

Players may purchase tickets for specific future drawings of Carolina Pick 3, excluding the current drawing. Advance Play will be subject to the policies, procedures and rules established by the NCEL, subject to the following parameters and restrictions:

1. The maximum number of future drawings a player may enter using the Advance Play feature is six (6), commencing with the next scheduled drawing following the purchase.
2. In the event the Director authorizes a matrix change for Carolina Pick 3, Advance Play tickets will be honored. Prior to introducing a new matrix, the NCEL will incorporate an Advance Play step down feature that will reduce the Advance Play option from seven (7) to zero (0). The Purchasers, however, will not be granted a refund for the balance of plays on their Advance Play Purchase.
3. Game play information for an Advance Play Purchase may be edited when an error in the numbers entered has been identified, a change in the frequency of drawings occurs, or a change in the game matrix occurs. An Advance Play Purchase may be edited to correct an error in the numbers entered before the

time of the first drawing for which the Advance Play Purchase is effective. For a change in the game matrix, or for errors in the numbers entered which are identified AFTER the first drawing under the Advance Play Purchase, the NCEL may correct the Advance Play Purchase game play prospectively for the remaining drawings on the Advance Play Purchase. The only other condition under which an Advance Play Purchase may be edited is to correct the Advance Play Purchase end date if the Director authorizes a change in the frequency of Carolina Pick 3 drawings.

4. The Advance Play option may be purchased for an additional 50¢ or \$1.00, per play per draw, or multiples thereof, at the discretion of the Purchaser.

#### H. Time of Drawing

Carolina Pick 3 drawings shall be conducted seven days per week.

#### I. Carolina Pick 3 Prize Structure

The following table sets forth the probability of winning and the probable distribution of winners in and among each prize category, based upon the total number of possible combinations in Carolina Pick 3:

Play Type	Prize Amount for 50¢ Play	Prize Amount for \$1.00 Play	Odds 1 in:
Exact	\$250	\$500	1,000
3-Way Any	\$80	\$160	333.33
6-Way Any	\$40	\$80	166.67
50/50 3-Way	n/a	\$330 (Exact/ Any); \$80 (Any only)	333.33
50/50 6-Way	n/a	\$290 (Exact/ Any); \$40 (Any only)	166.67

#### J. Procedure for Claiming and Payment of Prizes

1. Prizes must be redeemed within 180 days from the drawing date.
2. Claimants of a winning Official Carolina Pick 3 Ticket must comply with all prize claim requirements of the NCEL.

#### K. Governing Law

In purchasing a ticket issued for Carolina Pick 3, the Purchaser agrees to comply with and be bound by all applicable statutes, administrative rules and regulations, and procedures of the State of North Carolina and the NCEL.

## **CAROLINA CASH 5 PROCEDURE**

- A. The purpose of Carolina Cash 5 is to generate revenue for the NCEL and ultimately, education programs in North Carolina through the operation of a specially-designed lottery game that will award prizes to ticket holders matching specified combinations of numbers randomly selected in daily drawings.
- B. During each Carolina Cash 5 drawing, five (5) Winning Numbers between 1 and 39 will be selected.
- C. The sale and/or purchase of Carolina Cash 5 Tickets may be conducted only at such locations as the Director shall contract with and/or license and must comply with all governing laws, policies and rules of the NCEL.
- D. Ticket Price
  - 1. Official Carolina Cash 5 Tickets may be purchased for \$1.00, per play, or multiples thereof in the case of a multi-draw wager. The Purchaser receives one play for each \$1.00 wagered in Carolina Cash 5.
  - 2. Subject to the laws and regulations governing the NCEL, Retailers may authorize the sale of Official Carolina Cash 5 Tickets at a discount for promotional purposes, provided that such discounted sales shall be reported to the NCEL at full gross sales value.
- E. Play Characteristics and Restrictions
  - 1. Official Carolina Cash 5 Tickets may not be canceled.
  - 2. Purchasers may submit a manually completed Carolina Cash 5 Play Slip to a Retailer to have issued an Official Carolina Cash 5 Ticket. Carolina Cash 5 Play Slips shall be available at no cost to the Purchaser and shall have no pecuniary or prize value, nor constitute evidence of purchase or number selections. The use of mechanical, electronic, computer generated or any other non-manual method of marking Play Slips is prohibited.
  - 3. Purchasers may orally convey their selections to a Retailer to have issued an Official Carolina Cash 5 Ticket, and such selections shall be manually entered into the computer terminal by the Retailer.
  - 4. It shall be the sole responsibility of the Purchaser to verify the accuracy and condition of the data printed on the Official Carolina Cash 5 Ticket at the time of purchase.
- F. Multi-Draw

Players may enter multiple drawings of Carolina Cash 5. Multi-Draw will be subject to the policies, procedures and rules established by the NCEL, subject to the following parameters and restrictions:

  - 1. The maximum number of consecutive drawings a player may enter using the Multi-Draw feature is twenty-eight (28), commencing with the next scheduled drawing following the purchase.

2. In the event the Director authorizes a matrix change for Carolina Cash 5, Multi-Draw tickets will be honored. Prior to introducing a new matrix, the NCEL will incorporate a Multi-Draw step down feature that will reduce the Multi-Draw option from twenty-eight (28) to zero (0). The Purchasers, however, will not be granted a refund for the balance of plays on their Multi-Draw Purchase.
3. The Multi-draw option may be purchased for an additional \$1.00, per play, or multiples thereof, at the discretion of the Purchaser.

G. Time of Drawing

Carolina Cash 5 drawings shall be conducted seven days per week.

H. Carolina Cash 5 Prize Structure

The following table sets forth the probability of winning and the probable distribution of winners in and among each prize category, based upon the total number of possible combinations in Carolina Cash 5:

Matches Per Ticket	Prize Amount	% of Prize Pool	Odds 1 in:
5 of 5	*Pari-mutuel	54.71%	575,757
4 of 5	*Pari-mutuel	14.76%	3,387
3 of 5	*Pari-mutuel	9.74%	103
2 of 5	\$1.00	20.79%	9.6
Totals		100%	8.8

I. Procedure for Claiming and Payment of Prizes

1. Prizes must be redeemed within 180 days from the drawing date.
2. Claimants of a winning Official Carolina Cash 5 Ticket must comply with all prize claim requirements of the NCEL.
3. Prizes for matching 5 of 5, 4 of 5, and 3 of 5 winning numbers are pari-mutuel; that is, the prize funds available for each prize level will be divided equally among the winners for that level, rounding the payment down to the nearest whole dollar. Any amount remaining due to rounding down to the nearest whole dollar, commonly called breakage, will be placed in a reserve fund to be allocated to future prize payments, as determined by the Executive Director. The prize for matching 2 of 5 is set at \$1.00. If the prize pool for that level is insufficient to pay each winner, the Executive Director may allocate excess funds from other prize pools or from the breakage reserve fund. If no player wins at a particular prize level, the prize money for that level will roll into the prize pool for that level's next drawing.
4. The minimum top prize for Carolina Cash 5 will be \$50,000. Any advertised top prize amount above \$50,000 is an estimate, and the NCEL will pay such prize based on actual available funds in the prize pool for that level.

J. Governing Law

In purchasing a ticket issued for Carolina Cash 5, the Purchaser agrees to comply with and be bound by all applicable statutes, administrative rules and regulations, and procedures of the State of North Carolina and the NCEL.

## Appendix A- Definitions

Act	The North Carolina State Lottery Act, as may be amended from time to time
Activated Pack	The status of a pack of Instant Tickets which indicates to the NCEL that Tickets are being sold from that Pack.
Advance Play/ Purchase	A wager where players may purchase tickets for specific future drawings of an On-Line Game.
Aggrieved Retailer	Any "Lottery Game Retailer" or an "Applicant" who complains of a matter within the scope of the Lottery Game Retailer Dispute Resolution Procedures as set forth in Section 8.02; provided, however, that persons or entities who have not yet taken the steps to become an Applicant may be considered an Aggrieved Retailer with standing to file a "Dispute Resolution Request" pursuant to these procedures.
Annual/ Annuitized/ Annuity Option	The manner in which a grand/jackpot prize may be paid in thirty (30) annual installments
Applicant	Any individual or entity who has properly and fully completed and submitted all portions of the application process (including the required background checks) to become a Lottery Game Retailer pursuant to the applicable procedures established by the NCEL from time to time.
Caption	The letters appearing below the Play Symbols in the play area of an Instant Ticket that verify the correctness of the Play Symbols.
Carolina Cash 5	An online game where players select five numbers between 1 and 39 via Quick Pick, play slip, or retailer manual entry based on player's verbal selections. The five numbers selected become the player's entry for the current drawing with multiple boards and multiple draw options available.
Carolina Pick 3	An online game where players select a 3-digit number between 000 and 999 via Quick Pick, play slip, or retailer manual entry based on player's verbal selections. The 3-digit number selected becomes the player's entry for the current drawing with multiple boards, play types and draw options available.
Certificate of Authority	The non-transferable display certificate with a unique Retailer identification number assigned by the NCEL for each Retailer location. The Act requires every Retailer to post this certificate and keep it conspicuously displayed in a location on the premises of the Retailer's place of business which is accessible to the public.
Claimant	A player who has submitted a valid claim for payment within the required time frame.

Claim Center	A North Carolina Education Lottery location designated by the Executive Director to pay claims for all prizes up to \$99,999.99.
Claim Form	The printed form authorized by the NCEL that a player shall complete and submit to the NCEL along with a winning Ticket to be eligible to collect a prize.
Commission	The North Carolina State Lottery Commission created under the Act.
Denial	The decision by the NCEL to deny any Applicant's application to become a Lottery Game Retailer for any reason.
Designee	An officer of the NCEL, other than the Director, who is designated by the Director to make a "Proposed Decision" (as defined in "Director or Designee Decision" section E).
Director	The person selected by the Commission to be the chief administrator of the "NCEL".
Dispute Resolution Request	A written request by which an Aggrieved Retailer seeks a determination with respect to any matter which is within the scope of these Procedures.
Draw Procedures	The written guidelines approved by the Executive Director that specify the draw procedures for a particular Instant Game, if a drawing is designed as part of the game, and for each On-Line Game.
Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT)	The process by which the NCEL transfers funds from its Retailers to pay amounts due the NCEL. Retailers provide authorization to the NCEL to allow funds to be removed from a separate lottery bank account titled, "In Trust for North Carolina Education Lottery".
Employee	Any at-will employee of the NCEL, and any person employed by the NCEL pursuant to an employment contract or otherwise.
End of Game	The official date established by the NCEL after which the playing public has ninety (90) days to claim their winning Instant Tickets.
Executive Director	The person selected by the Commission to be the chief administrator of the North Carolina State Lottery.
Game Number	The number on the back of each Instant Ticket which refers to the number associated with the particular Instant Game.
Game Procedures	The written rules, regulations, procedures, instructions and directives approved by the Executive Director that include, among other things, the game name, how a prize is won, game Prize Structure, Play Style, and eligibility for a drawing, if any.
Hearing Officer	The Director or his designee who shall serve as a Hearing Officer within the scope of the Retailer Dispute Resolution Procedures. For purposes hereof, "Designated Hearing Officer" means an individual, other than the Director, designated by the Director to serve as a Hearing Officer.

Insufficient Credit Rating	A credit reporting bureau cannot produce a score due to lack of account history
Lottery Retailer/Retailer/ Lottery Game Retailer	A person with whom the Commission has contracted to sell tickets or shares in NCEL lottery games.
Major Procurement Contract	A contract with a Vendor for any purchase of service, apparatuses, supplies, materials or equipment requiring an estimated aggregate expenditure of Ninety Thousand Dollars (\$90,000.00) or more.
Multi-Draw	A play option that allows players to enter multiple, consecutive drawings of an On-Line Game.
NCEL	North Carolina Education Lottery created by the Act.
Pack	A package of Instant Tickets each with a different Ticket Number. The number of tickets in a pack may range up to three hundred (300). All Packs of Tickets of a specific game will have the same number of Tickets per Pack.
Pack Number	The unique number on the back of the Ticket that designates the number of the Pack from which the Ticket originates. Each Pack Number is unique within each Instant Game.
Panel	The requisite numbers and the associated letter which constitute a single game panel on a Play Slip of an On-Line Game.
Pari-Mutuel	A payout method that splits the total available prize money for a particular prize level between all winners of that prize level
Play Area	The covered area of an Instant Ticket that contains the Play Symbols.
Play Slip	A preformatted selection form used with On-Line Games to provide the requisite numbers selected by a player for participation in On-Line Game draws.
Play Style	The method of play to determine a winner for an individual lottery game.
Play Symbol	The printed data under the covered area on the front of an Instant Ticket that is used to determine eligibility for a prize. The Play Symbols for individual Instant Games will be specified in individual Game Procedures.
Policies and Procedures Manual	The document containing all the policies and procedures adopted by the Commission as required and permitted by the Act.
Powerball	An exciting multi-state, multimillion-dollar jackpot game with jackpots starting at \$15 million and continuing to grow until won.
Preliminary Drawing	An event in which Instant Tickets which display the appropriate Play Symbols and which are received by the specific deadline are utilized for the selection of contestants for a Grand Prize Drawing.
Prize Structure	The number, value, and odds of winning prizes for an individual game, as approved by the Executive Director or his/her designee.

Quick Pick	A randomly generated computer selection of the requisite numbers for a player to participate in On-Line Game draws.
Regional Office	A North Carolina Education Lottery office in various cities in North Carolina.
Retailer Business Location	Each respective location listed in the Retailer Contract from which the Retailer may sell lottery Tickets only for those specific NCEL lottery games authorized for each such location by the NCEL.
Retailer Contract	The contract with the NCEL required by the Act whereby a Retailer agrees to comply with and be bound by the Rules and Regulations, as may be amended from time to time.
Retailer Dispute Resolution Request	A written request by which an Aggrieved potential or contracted Retailer seeks a determination with respect to any matter which is adverse to the NCEL which is within the scope of the Retailer Dispute Resolution Policy.
Retailer Validation Code	The small letters found under the covered area over the Play Symbols on the front of the Instant Ticket which the Lottery Retailer uses to verify and validate Low-Tier Prize winners.
Retailer Verification Code	A boxed four (4) digit number used by the Retailer when validating Instant Tickets on a lottery terminal.
Rules and Regulations	Collectively, all of the rules, regulations, policies, procedures, instructions and directives established or made from time to time by the NCEL.
Security Code	The unique data printed on a Ticket that provides for the verification of the Ticket as a valid winner.
Security Deposit	A cashier's check, a money order, a surety bond, or a letter of credit payable to NCEL to insure against default of payment by a lottery retailer.
Settled Pack	The status of a Pack of Tickets which enables the NCEL to bill (or settle) the Retailer's account based upon a pre-determined schedule.
Share	As defined in the Act, any valid tangible or intangible evidence of participation in a lottery game.
Surety Bond	A bond issued by a licensed insurance carrier for the benefit of NCEL to insure against default of payment by the insured lottery retailer
Ticket	As defined in the Act, any valid tangible evidence approved by the NCEL and distributed by its Retailers, to allow participation in a game or activity authorized by the Act.
Ticket Number	The number on the back of an Instant Ticket that refers to the Ticket sequence within the Pack.
Valid Ticket	The ticket which meets all specification and validation requirements.



Variant	A term used in conjunction with certain Instant Game Play Styles and may include a Play Symbol that serves as a “wild card” to complete a winning set of Play Symbols.
Vendor	Any person other than a Lottery Retailer who submits a bid, proposal, or offer to procure a contract for goods or services for the Commission.
Verification Code	Same as Retailer Verification Code.
Winner Claim Form	Same as Claim Form.
Working Papers	For each Instant Game, a detailed set of specifications designating the appearance of the Instant Tickets, the Instant Ticket delivery time requirements, and Prize Structure for the Instant Game.